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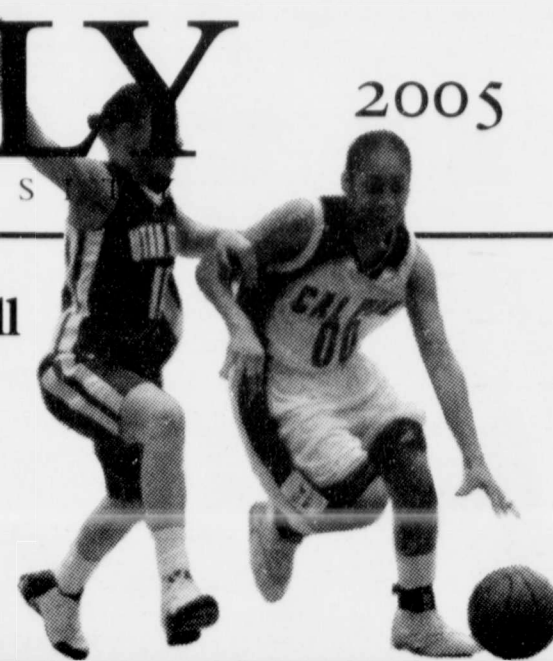


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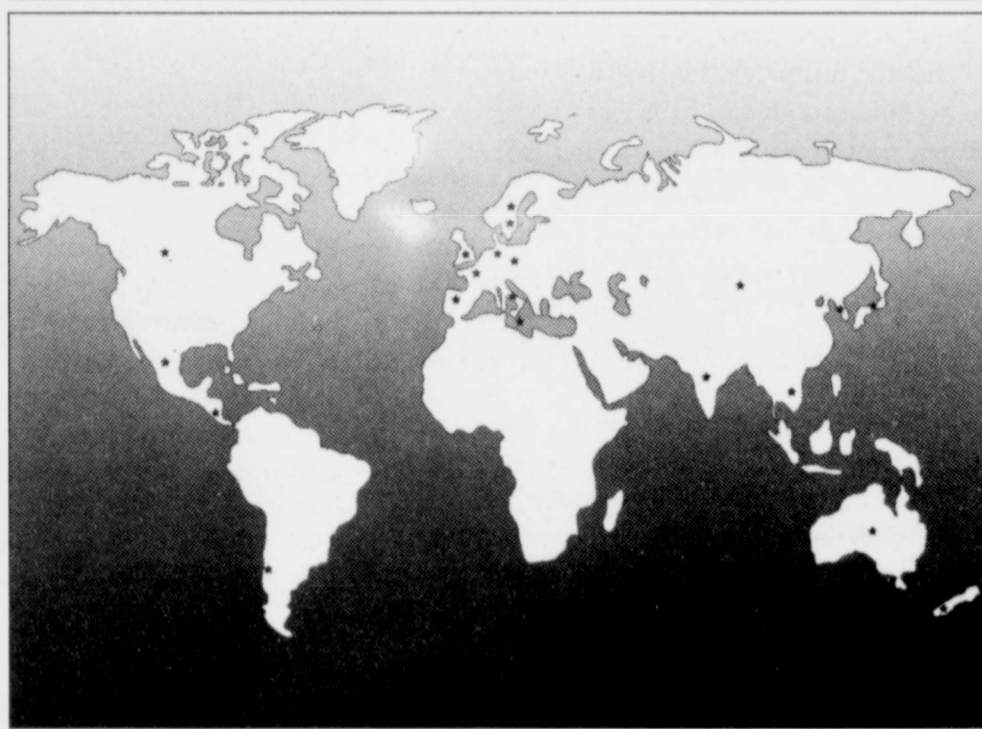
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Poly study abroad program ranked fourth in nation

Summary of 2003-04 study abroad
Total Cal Poly Travelers 585



Countries visited

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| Australia | 36 |
| Canada | 1 |
| Chile | 2 |
| China | 19 |
| Costa Rica | 2 |
| Czech Republic | 1 |
| Denmark | 36 |
| England | 102 |
| Europe tour | 19 |
| France | 10 |
| Germany | 23 |
| India | 3 |
| Italy | 46 |
| Japan | 2 |
| Korea | 1 |
| Malta | 1 |
| Mexico | 46 |
| Multi-country | 60 |
| New Zealand | 7 |
| Spain | 67 |
| Sweden | 2 |
| Thailand | 42 |

KATIE ZEALAN MUSTANG DAILY

The number of Cal Poly students studying abroad went up from 549 during the 2002-03 school year to 585 last year. Students were spread over more than 20 countries.

Caitlin Donnell
MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly ranks fourth in the nation for the number of students who study abroad among universities that offer master's degrees, according to a survey conducted by the Institute of International Education.

According to the 2004 Report on International Education Exchange, 549 Cal Poly students studied abroad during the 2002-03 school year. The

number increased when Cal Poly sent a total of 585 students abroad to more than 20 countries last year.

"I refer to it as the best kept secret," said John Battenburg, interim director for Cal Poly's International Education and Programs and English professor. "I think that it surprises many individuals that Cal Poly is so involved in international education."

The report also found that Cal Poly was the only California State University in its category to be

ranked in the top 20.

"Outside of the classroom, assisting students in studying abroad is one of the most significant things that we do at Cal Poly because it is life-altering, it changes how they view themselves and the world around them," Battenburg said.

Cal Poly offers study abroad opportunities through the California State University International Programs, which has yearlong pro-
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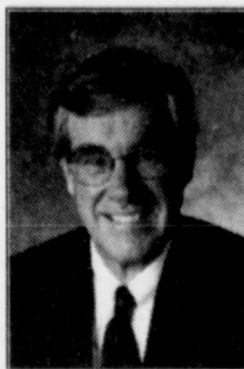
Baker receives prestigious award

Natasha Toto
MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker received the 2004 Chief Executive Leadership Award given by the Far West Region of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

Baker was presented with the award at a luncheon during the CASE District VII conference on Dec. 6 in San Francisco.

Baker was praised for raising nearly \$250 million for Cal Poly's Centennial Campaign. The money raised exceeded the \$225 million goal almost one year ahead of schedule.



Warren J. Baker

Baker said that he was surprised to discover he had won the award, but feels that it is a good affirmation of efforts at Cal Poly.

"This is reflective of a team effort and a focus on the uniqueness of the institution," Baker said. "I think it reflects primarily the way we have been able to organize our campaign and how we have tied that to ongoing things in the university."

President Baker said that much of the money was made because of the quality plan the university put together.

"We were persistent and told a good story so the students would benefit," Baker said.

Whether it is computer science, agriculture or engineering, Baker said the institution can demonstrate how the money benefits the students by increasing the number of quality faculty members in the programs.

Alumni are some of the key donors to the university, and Baker insists that most of the major gifts come from individuals.

"We have always had a very strong corporate relations program with a lot of annual gifts," Baker said. "But individual donors who have acquired some wealth and want to give back are what we see the most."

Christina Ladd, a recent horticulture graduate, said that she is surprised to discover how much money was raised throughout the campaign.

"It is comforting to know that Cal Poly is focusing on bringing in more school funding, especially since we have seen so many budget cuts from the state this last year," Ladd said.

"We strongly felt we could achieve it and were confident that we could raise the money," Baker said.

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ASSOCIATED PRESS

The decisive victory of Mahmoud Abbas gives him the opportunity to renew peace talks with Israel and put an end to violence in the Middle East.

Abbas elected new Palestinian president

Ravi Nessman
ASSOCIATED PRESS

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Mahmoud Abbas was elected Palestinian Authority president by a wide margin Sunday, exit polls showed, giving him a decisive mandate to renew peace talks with Israel, rein in militants and try to end more than four years of Mideast bloodshed.

The victory of the staid and pragmatic Abbas, who has spoken out against violence and has the backing of the international community, was expected to usher in a new era, after four decades of chaotic and corruption-riddled rule by Yasser Arafat who died Nov. 11.

"We, the Palestinians, are drawing our future with our own hands. We will be the symbol of democracy and freedom," said Aya Abdel Kader, 45, a lawyer voting at a Gaza City school.

Abbas, popularly known as Abu Mazen, has promised to reform the Palestinian Authority, overhaul the unwieldy Palestinian security services and quickly resume negotiations with Israel, stalled for four years.

President Bush, who has said a resumption of peace talks must be accompanied by sweeping Palestinian reforms, called Abbas' election "a historic day for the Palestinian people."

"Palestinians throughout the West Bank and Gaza took a key step toward building a democratic future by choosing a new president in elections that observers describe as largely free and fair," Bush said in a statement

issued two hours after polls closed.

Abbas' political objectives are the same as Arafat's: a Palestinian state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem, and a solution for Palestinian refugees and their descendants.

"There is a difficult mission ahead to build our state, to achieve security for our people ... to give our prisoners freedom, our fugitives a life in dignity,

to reach our goal of an independent state," he

— SOUAD RADWAN
teacher in Gaza refugee camp

acceptance speech in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

After results of three exit polls were announced, giving Abbas between 66 percent and 69.5 percent of the vote, his supporters celebrated in the streets. In the West Bank city of Hebron, motorists honked horns and waved Abbas posters. In Ramallah, gunmen fired in the air.

Abbas said he was dedicating his victory to the memory of Arafat, to the Palestinian people, to those killing in fighting with Israel and to thousands of Palestinians in Israeli prisoners.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon expects to meet with Abbas soon, his aides said. Israeli officials said that in a gesture to Abbas, Israel plans to release some of the more than 7,000 Palestinian prisoners, provided Abbas stop militants from firing rockets at Israeli towns.

"I think this vote shows a change in the Palestinian street" moving away from support of violence, said Sharon aide Raanan Gissin.

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grams in over 20 different countries. There are programs that last one quarter such as Cal Poly at Sea, Spain, London Study and the Thai Study in addition to a variety of independent study abroad programs. All these programs can be researched in Cal Poly's study abroad office.

Battenburg said that London, Spain

and Australia are some of the most popular study abroad destinations for Cal Poly students.

Nutrition senior Molly Wharton, studied in Seville, Spain during spring semester of 2004 with Cultural Experiences Abroad. While studying abroad, Wharton lived with a host family who she keeps in regular contact with.

"I gained an open mind about what's out there," Wharton said.

"Studying abroad is definitely worth it, to be able to meet new people, travel and see things that I've only read about in books."

Child development senior Karen Sommers studied abroad in Denmark for one year with Denmark's International Study Program, a CSU affiliate program.

Sommers, who had never traveled outside of the United States before studying abroad, traveled to 14 coun-

tries within Europe, including Russia where she visited her extended family.

"Studying abroad will broaden your cultural experiences," Sommers said. "It was also very beneficial because I took major courses that all transferred and I am graduating on time in June."

"There are three major misconceptions about studying abroad," said Monica Schechter, Associate Director of Study Abroad International Education and Programs. "Students

assume that it is very expensive, that they have to be fluent in another language and that it will delay their graduation date. These are not the case. Some programs are the same cost as Cal Poly if not cheaper, there are programs in English, and the key is to plan early so it won't delay graduation."

General study abroad information sessions are held Wednesdays during winter quarter in building 38, room 114.

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support faculty and programs in terms of equipment and students.

One of the two buildings being

constructed on the former library parking lot was entirely donated by an alumnus who felt strongly about the quality of education he received at Cal Poly. Baker said it will be a "projects building" where students will have space to work on campus, completing

outside assignments they formerly had to work on at home.

Mechanical engineering senior Adam Franklin said that although parking has become an issue, he is excited for the new buildings.

"It will be more convenient to have

a place on campus to work on projects outside of the classroom," Franklin said.

Baker also said the school leverages state funds by bringing in private funding from donors who are enthusiastic to know their donations help Cal

Poly receive more state money.

"The bottom line is that every cent we raise has a direct benefit for the students," Baker said.

Baker has a bachelor's and master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Notre Dame, and a Ph.D. in geotechnical engineering from the University of New Mexico.

"We certainly welcome this and hope that from this mandate Abu Mazen will lead the Palestinian people

Abbas

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on the path of reconciliation," he added.

Bush also said the United States will help Abbas and the Palestinian people address the challenges and help create two states, Israel and Palestine, side by side in peace. He said other countries, including Israel, must do their part.

Polls were open for 14 hours, two more than originally planned after the Central Election Commission extended voting until 9 p.m., citing logistical problems. One election official said the decision came amid heavy pressure

from Fatah, which was concerned a low turnout could weaken Abbas.

At least 66 percent of 1.1 million registered voters cast ballots, election officials said, adding the figure was expected to rise, since unregistered voters also participated in the election. Final results were to be announced Monday morning.

The election, the first presidential vote in nine years, proceeded largely without interruption. In one incident, gunmen fired in the air in an election office and in Jerusalem, voters complained of confusing arrangements.

According to three exit polls, Abbas' main challenger, independent Mustafa Barghouti, won 20 percent, while the remaining five scored in the low single digits.

Barghouti complained that the

Central Election Commission had changed rules in mid-game, by extending voting by two hours and by allowing voters to cast ballots at any location, rather than where they lived or registered.

Analysts have said Abbas needs at least 60 percent support to resume negotiations with Israel. "He (Abbas) has a mandate from the voters," pollster Khalil Shekaki said of the exit polls.

However, Abbas faces a lengthy list of challenges. He must balance between Israel's demand to crack down on militants and his efforts to co-opt the gunmen. A major attack on Israel could undermine his credibility and sour peace hopes.

Major militant groups have indicated they are willing to halt attacks and

give him a chance. However, the Lebanese guerrilla group Hezbollah, which funds some of the Palestinian militants, is trying to undercut Abbas, according to people close to the group.

Earlier this week, Hezbollah-funded gunmen with ties to Abbas' ruling Fatah movement killed an Israeli soldier in a West Bank ambush. On Sunday, Hezbollah carried out a deadly cross-border attack. An Israeli soldier, a French U.N. observer and a Hezbollah fighter were killed in the confrontation.

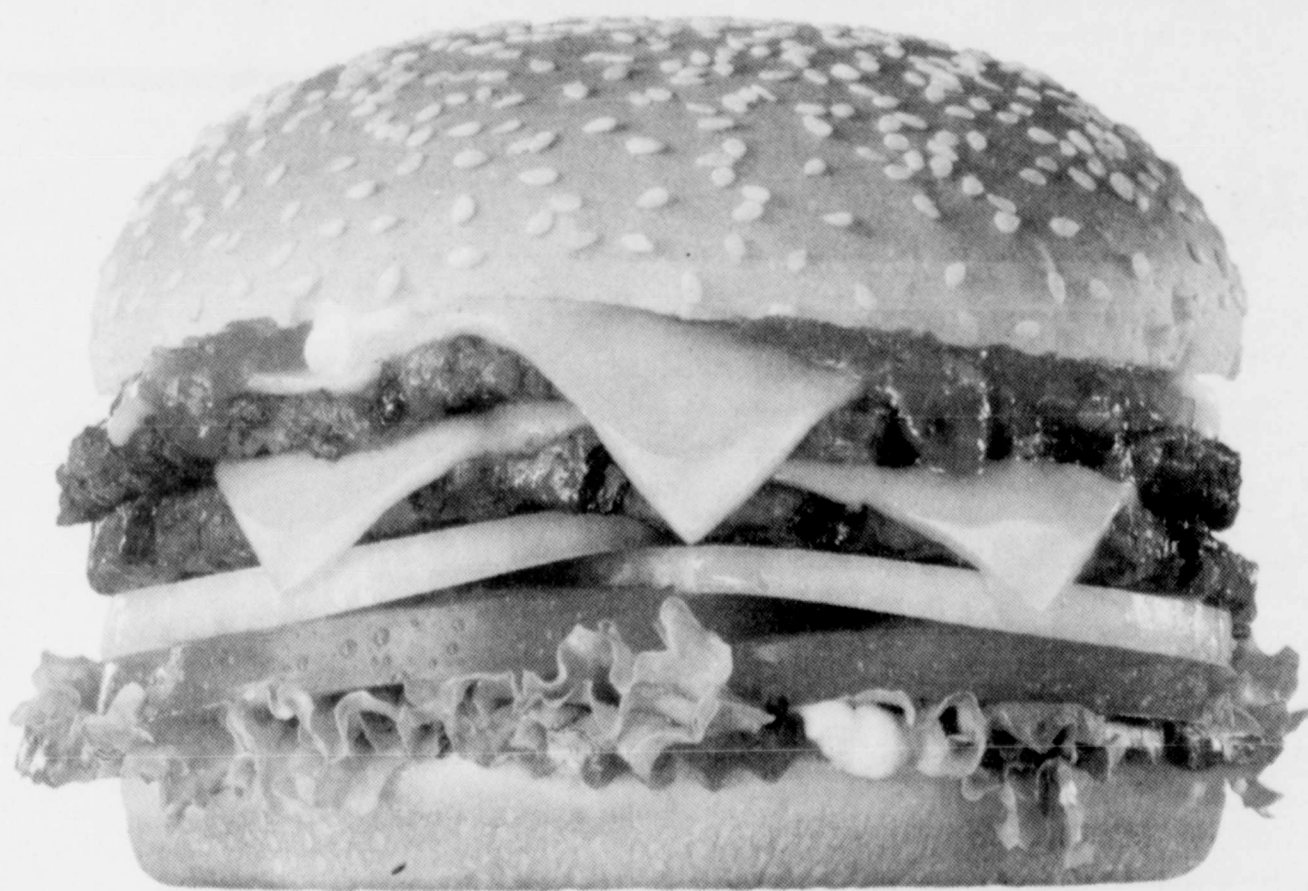
The Palestinian election came a day before Israel's parliament was to approve a new, more moderate coalition, seen as a boost for a planned Gaza withdrawal. In the new alliance, Sharon will govern with elder states-

man Shimon Peres, leader of the moderate Labor Party, and an architect of interim peace deals with the Palestinians. Sharon has talked of restarting the long-stalled "road map" peace plan and coordinating his Gaza plan with Abbas.

The Israeli army eased travel restrictions for the vote, witnessed by hundreds of foreign observers, including former President Jimmy Carter and former French Premier Michel Rocard.

Many gunmen followed rules barring weapons in voting stations, but in a sign of the difficulty the new president will face in controlling them, Zakariye Zubeidi, a militant leader, refused to give up his M-16 assault rifle when he walked into a polling station in the West Bank town of Jenin.

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STATE NEWS

SAN DIEGO — Attorneys who want to unseat Mayor Dick Murphy are bound for court, arguing that he wrongly began a second term last month.

Two recent lawsuits contend the county registrar unfairly ignored voter intent by disqualifying ballots for maverick write-in candi-

date Donna Frye because voters in the Nov. 2 election failed to fill in bubbles next to her name.

Legal experts said that while courts do give weight to voter intent, Frye's supporters may have a tough time because the letter of state election law wasn't followed.

ALBANY — Officials at several Bay Area high schools are using breathalyzers as a way to reduce

student drinking.

With breathalyzers available for as little as \$50 over the Internet, schools are increasingly turning to them as a way to cut alcohol-related problems at campus dances and other events.

To bypass potential concerns about students' civil rights, many high schools will only test students if there is reason to suspect that they've been drinking.

LOS ANGELES — About 180 people, some of whom spent more than 12 hours stuck in deep snow in the San Bernardino Mountains, were rescued Saturday as the second of three storms pounded California. Snow up to 4 feet deep left motorists stranded along a 5-mile stretch of Highway 18 and power to thousands of residents was knocked out.

—Associated Press

IN OTHER NEWS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A prisoner who escaped last June was recaptured this weekend and accused of robbery after surviving for months by hiding out in a vacant electronics store and eating stolen baby food, police said.

Authorities said Jeffrey Allen Manchester lived in a 4-by-10-foot closet decorated with posters and model toys, played hoops with a mini-basketball net and watched "Spider-Man 2" on a DVD player. He also routed water from an adjacent Toys "R" Us and even installed a smoke detector, they said.

"I've never seen anybody so determined," said Officer Fred Allen, who spotted the hideaway.

Manchester was four years into a 45-year robbery sentence when he allegedly snuck out of the Brown Creek Correctional Institution on June 15 by clinging to the undercarriage of a truck.

Manchester, 33, is now accused of robbing then "R" Us at gunpoint Dec. 26, then setting fire to a dentist's office. Police believe he had dental work done while he was on the lam and set the fire to hide his records.

—Associated Press

NATIONAL NEWS

INDUSTRY, Pa. — A tugboat and three barges sank Sunday after being swept over a dam spillway on the Ohio River by currents made stronger by heavy rains, killing three crew members. One person was missing and believed to be aboard the sunken boat.

Three people were rescued by

crews of other tugs. Fire crews arriving on the scene determined the swift water was too dangerous to enter, said Chuck Ward, assistant fire chief in Industry.

DENVER — An attorney for the woman accusing Los Angeles Lakers star Kobe Bryant of rape said Sunday she wants a public airing of her lawsuit in Denver federal court as soon as possible.

L. Lin Wood said his client decided against filing a second suit in California state court because of fears that legal maneuvers there would delay a trial in the Denver suit.

The woman's lawsuit seeks unspecified financial damages for pain and ridicule she says she has suffered since her encounter with Bryant.

GRANITEVILLE, S.C. —

Crews worked around the clock Sunday to cap a railroad tank car leaking toxic chlorine gas as investigators searched for the cause of the crash that derailed the train.

Nine people were killed and more than 250 were sickened by the toxic gas. The tank car was damaged when a Norfolk Southern train hit parked railroad cars early Thursday.

—Associated Press

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. troops opened fire near a checkpoint south of Baghdad after their convoy was hit by a roadside bomb and a hospital official said Sunday at least eight people were killed in the second American attack in two days to have deadly results. In other violence Sunday, a U.S. soldier assigned

to Task Force Baghdad was killed by a roadside bomb, while a Marine was killed in action in the volatile Anbar province.

JUBA, Sudan — After years of war and death, residents of this predominantly Christian southern city danced in the streets Sunday after rebel and government leaders signed a treaty to end Sudan's 21-year civil war.

But caution mixed with joy among many war-scarred residents who worry about the future after the conflict that killed more than 2 million, mainly through war-induced famine and disease, and displaced 4 million more from their homes.

BANDA ACEH, Indonesia — A U.S. helicopter on a relief operation crashed in a rice paddy near Banda Aceh's airport, injuring at least

two U.S. servicemen and causing the military to briefly suspend flights on Monday, while strong aftershocks and security concerns provided more challenges for aid workers.

The men injured in the crash, along with eight other Navy personnel, were being flown back to their ship in the Lincoln battle group, U.S. military spokesman said Capt. Joe Plenzler.

—Associated Press

THIS WEEK

IN ASI EVENTS

UU HOUR

Martin Luther King Celebration
In collaboration with the Multicultural Center
Thursday, January 13
11 a.m. - noon in the UU Plaza - FREE

NEXT WEEK:
Featuring Grub N Dubb (rock fusion)
Thursday, January 20
11 a.m. - noon in the UU Plaza - FREE

UU GALLERY

Featuring "Paintings by Byron Hoffman"
Located in the UU Epicenter - FREE

The UU Gallery presents award-winning works by graphic design student Byron Hoffman, on display through January 26. His works feature bold color, texture and elements of both graphic and fine arts.

EVENTS TEAM TRAINING

Thursday, January 20
11 a.m. - noon in UU 220

Join the ASI Events "Events Team" to help guide the decisions about what entertainment is brought to campus, and for the opportunity to get hands-on experience at events. Members will meet new friends, learn new skills, and gain exposure to the entertainment industry. To sign up for the training, please RSVP to ASI Events at 756-1112 or asievents@asi.calpoly.edu by January 18. Lunch will be provided.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Tuesday, January 25 or Thursday, January 27
6-7 p.m. in UU 219 11 a.m. - noon in UU 216

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U.S. urges China to crack down on piracy

Martin Crutsinger
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration wants China to impose tougher prison sentences for rampant copyright crack down on the rampant piracy of U.S. movies, music and computer programs and will not be satisfied until copyright violators get stiff prison sentences, Commerce Secretary Donald Evans said.

Evans, who on Monday was leaving on his fourth and final trip to China as a member of President Bush's cabinet, said in an Associated Press interview that he wanted to learn firsthand what China was doing to fulfill promises to better enforce its intellectual property laws.

Chinese Vice Premier Wu Yi led a 70-person delegation to Washington last April for economic talks that resulted in a number of pledges by the Chinese on trade, including protections for U.S. copyrights.

The Motion Picture Association of America estimates that its members lost up to \$3.5 billion last year from movie pirates. China is considered the second worst offender behind Russia.

Evans said even though the Chinese government had committed to specific steps to combat piracy, the United States was concerned about the lack of significant criminal prosecutions.

He said the administration wants to see "jail time and tough criminal actions against those responsible for the thefts. ... We haven't seen enough evidence that this is happening yet."

Evans said he would emphasize this point during meetings with Chinese leaders and in a speech

Thursday at an intellectual property conference in Beijing.

During Bush's second term, the United States will keep the pressure on China to abide by the market-opening commitments it made upon joining the World Trade Organization, Evans said.

That effort, he said, will continue under Carlos Gutierrez, the president's nominee for commerce secretary. The head of cereal giant Kellogg is awaiting Senate approval to take over for Evans.

Evans, a close friend of Bush, said in November he was leaving the

we do all we can to eliminate not only tariff barriers but nontariff barriers with China."

U.S. manufacturers say the best thing the administration could do for the industry would be to persuade China to stop linking its currency directly to the U.S. dollar. American companies say that as a result of that system, the Chinese yuan is undervalued by as much as 40 percent, giving Beijing a huge competitive advantage.

Evans said currency issues would not come up directly in his conversations with Chinese leaders because

Treasury Secretary John Snow is handling that policy matter for the administration.

But Evans said he would raise with the Chinese the additional steps needed, such as selling off state-owned enterprises, so China can be classified by the United States as a market economy.

The Chinese want this designation because it will make it harder for American companies to win claims that Chinese competitors are setting unfairly low prices on goods sold in the U.S. market.

"It is very important to them to be classified as a market economy under our trade laws and they are not there yet," Evans said.

Evans said all of these efforts to boost U.S. export sales to China would continue in Bush's second term.

"I will make it clear that even though we have had a presidential election nothing has changed," he said. "We still want to continue working to integrate China into the global economy."

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Cabinet to return to Texas.

Gutierrez told lawmakers last week that the administration intended to press China to narrow the trade gap with the United States. That imbalance hit \$124 billion in 2003, a record for any U.S. trading partner, and widened in 2004.

Critics of the administration's trade policies contend that Bush has not done enough to protect American workers from unfair trade practices in other nations. Those practices have contributed greatly to the loss of 2.7 million U.S. manufacturing jobs over the past four years, these critics say.

In the interview, Evans said he was not disappointed by the growth in the overall trade deficit and the deficit with China. He said he saw it as "an ongoing challenge to make sure that

Video captures tsunami ravaging Indonesian town

Beth Gardin
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JAKARTA, Indonesia — A videotape shot as a tsunami swept through Indonesia's Aceh province aired for the first time Sunday and showed a roiling torrent of dark brown water engulfing a busy street, picking up cars and minivans and sending people scrambling up the sides of buildings.

The videotape, broadcast by Metro TV, was filmed by a cameraman named Hasyim who normally shoots weddings. He captured a horrific record of the unfolding Dec. 26 disaster, starting minutes after a giant undersea earthquake in the Indian Ocean toppled buildings and including a scene hours later showing a long line of corpses covered with cloth.

More than 104,000 Indonesians died in the catastrophe. The tsunami swept through southern Asia and as far as east Africa, killing more than 150,000 people in total.

The recording starts with people milling on the streets of the provincial capital, Banda Aceh, shortly after the magnitude-9.0 quake — the world's biggest in four decades — and climbing onto piles of rubble, unaware that a massive sea surge was heading toward them.

Some buildings had crumpled, with floors lying on top of one another, while others appeared undamaged.

As his videotape showed a building that became a pile of twisted girders, Hasyim told Metro TV that five construction workers were sleeping inside the unfinished structure when it collapsed, probably killing them all.

People standing around or examining the remains of wrecked houses and cracked concrete slabs appeared relatively calm. Motorcycle traffic continued moving through the streets and no emergency sirens were audible.

Then, suddenly — Hasyim said it was between 15 and 20 minutes after the quake — the videotape showed a swift, powerful wall of water engulfing a busy street, rising to at least the second floor of buildings and carrying so much debris and garbage that the water itself was hardly visible.

Large squares of sheet metal, refrigerators, planks of wood and a restaurant's food display case were among the objects swept along in what looked like a river roaring through the town. Several large oil drums bounced up and down along the surface.

"Everybody was screaming 'Water!' Everybody scattered, running toward the grand mosque," said Hasyim, who like many Indonesians uses only one name. He said a friend named Munawar shot some of the footage.

The water knocked vehicles sideways before sweeping them up; an older man sat in the drivers' seat of a blue minivan but managed to clamber onto a balcony when the wave pushed him toward the side of the road and wedged his vehicle against a building.

As he videotaped from atop a building in a mosque complex, the water beneath him rose to 10 feet deep, almost touching his feet, Hasyim said. His camera remained steady throughout.

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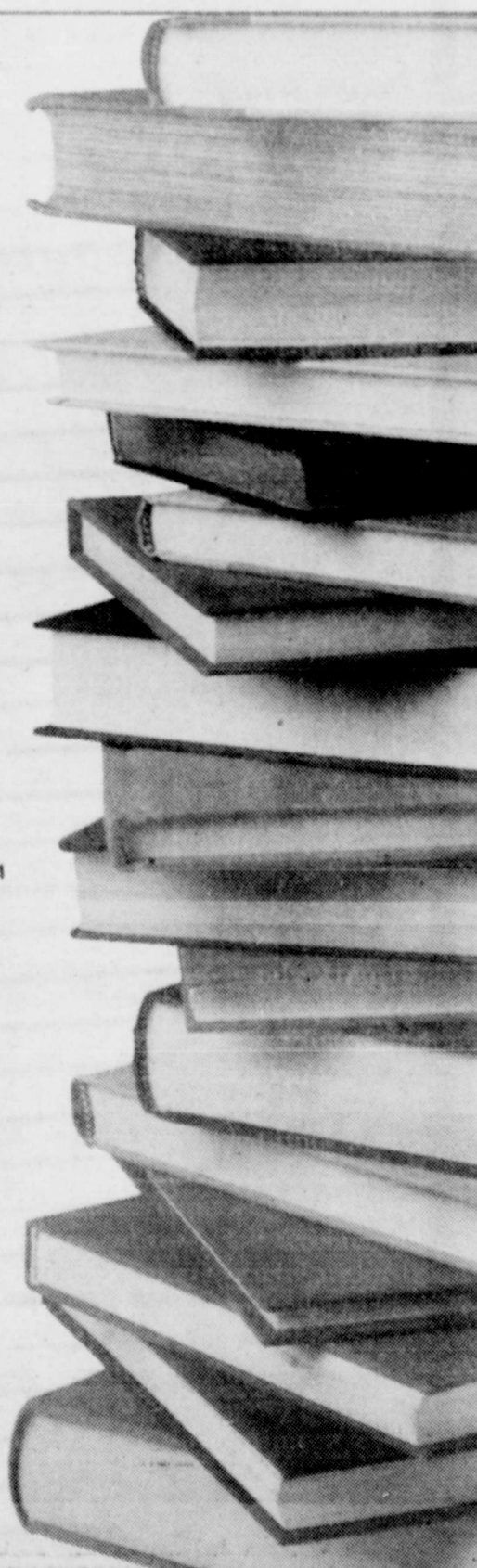
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California weathers another day of powerful storm

Michael R. Blood
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — A powerful, plodding storm drenched Southern California with another consecutive day of heavy rain Sunday, turning roadways into rivers, knocking out power to thousands of homes and setting off mudslides and flooding that shut down highways.

The latest round of bad weather increased the number of storm-related weekend deaths to at least seven and forecasters predicted more rain on the way Monday and Tuesday.

On the Pacific Coast Highway in Malibu, a man was killed and four people were injured early Sunday after their vehicle skidded on water or mud, hit a telephone pole and ended up in the surf. In the Elysian Park area, a 43-year-old homeless man died after the hillside on which he had pitched his tent gave way, burying him under a concrete-like mound of mud and rock. Another man was injured in the landslide.

A two-story home collapsed in the Studio City area above the San Fernando Valley, and a 33-year-old man and his two children were pulled from the rubble with minor injuries.

While only scattered showers were forecast for San Francisco, Los Angeles and its surrounding counties were soaked again, and the rain was not expected to retreat until midweek. Some minor tidal flooding was reported in along San Francisco Bay and coastal towns, but police said the water receded by late Sunday morning.

The National Weather Service said downtown Los Angeles was pelted with four inches of rain since Friday, an amount that nearly exceeded the average total expected over six months, between July and Sunday.

"We've had almost continuous rain for 60 hours, and it's going to continue for a day or two. I don't see any break until Monday or Tuesday," said forecaster Bruce Rockwell.

The storm is "stationary, it's strong and it's brought up a lot of moisture from the tropics. It's almost a continuous plume of water," Rockwell said.

The heavy rainfall is being attributed to a sluggish, low-pressure system that collided with a stream of moisture from the southern Pacific known as a "Pineapple Express."

Annual rainfall for the city, measured from July 1 to June 30, averages about 15 inches a year. But the tally since July has already exceeded 18 inches — with more rain on the way.

Since the wet weather arrived Thursday, it has been blamed for at least five deaths earlier in the weekend.

Four-year-old Ingrid Paredes was killed Friday in Chula Vista when the car her father drove slid off the rain-slicked Interstate 805. The body of an unidentified man was pulled out of the swollen Tijuana River on Saturday; he is believed to have been traveling with a group of illegal border crossers.

On Saturday, two people died in a car accident along a slippery freeway in Los Angeles County, and a man was washed away by a swollen river near Ventura County's Ojai area.

The same storm is dumping heavy snow across the Sierra Nevada, which stranded an Amtrak train, shut down the Reno, Nev., airport for the second time in a week and halted motorists over the mountains. Winter storm warnings were in effect with as much as 5 feet of new snow possible by Tuesday morning on top of Saturday's accumulations of up to



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A car is nearly submerged in water on a flooded street in Sausalito, Sunday. More heavy rain spread across parts of California on Sunday and snow piled deeper in the mountains as the state sat under a storm system that had snowbound motorists and caused flooding.

4.5 feet.

As many as 12,000 customers of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power were without power Sunday morning. Pacific Gas & Electric spokesman David Eisenhauer said 11,000 customers remained without power, scattered through its service area. Southern California Edison, which has 4.6 million customers in a 50,000-square-mile service area in five counties, reported only minor power outages.

In Southern California, authorities reported scores of traffic crashes and ordered scattered road closings, including the southbound side of Interstate 5, where it intersects with

the Pasadena Freeway, because of a mudslide.

A mobile home park was evacuated in Santa Clarita after a nearby creek flooded its banks and overwhelmed an 8-foot-tall retaining wall. Flash flood warnings were issued throughout the region, and authorities kept close eye on foothill neighborhoods below the San Bernardino Mountains where slopes charred bare by wildfires were especially prone to mudslides.

Several Los Angeles-area radio stations were knocked off the air for hours Sunday after trouble with transmitters on Mount Wilson, which was assumed to be related to the stormy

weather.

In Arcadia, Santa Anita race track canceled eight of nine scheduled horse races due to heavy rain — the first time the track has done so in 10 years, managers said.

A relatively dry Sunday was forecast for the San Francisco Bay area, but another major front was expected to push through the area late Monday, bringing more heavy rain and snow to higher elevations.

San Francisco already has received 169 percent of its normal rainfall since July 1, with 15.52 inches as of Saturday, compared with a 30-year average of 9.18 inches.

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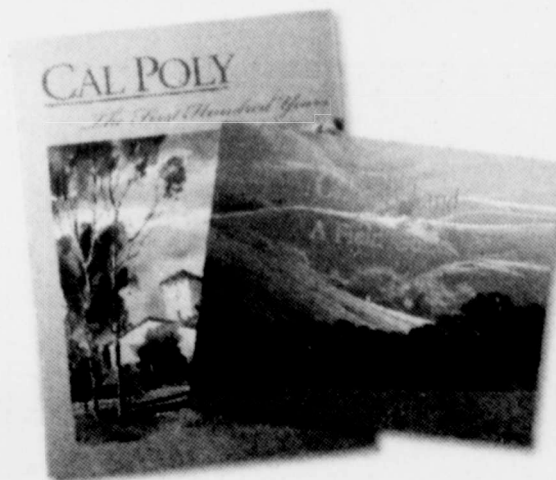
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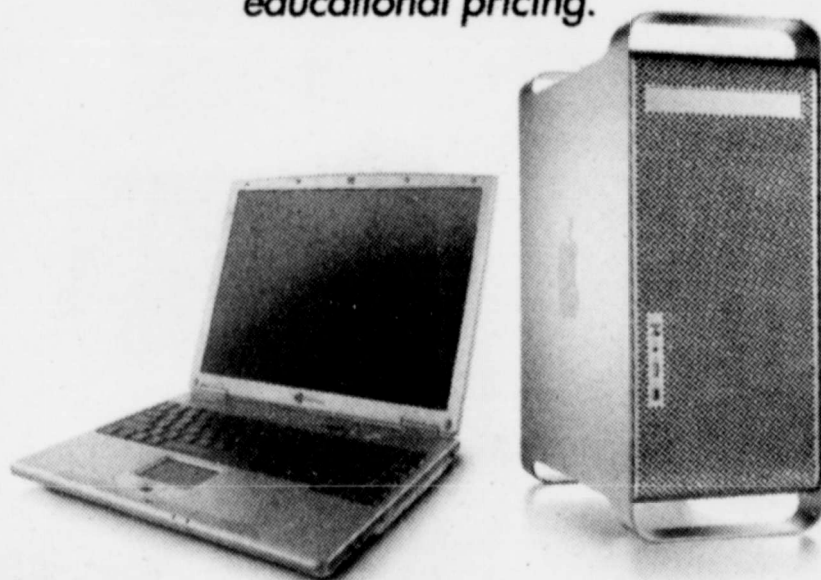
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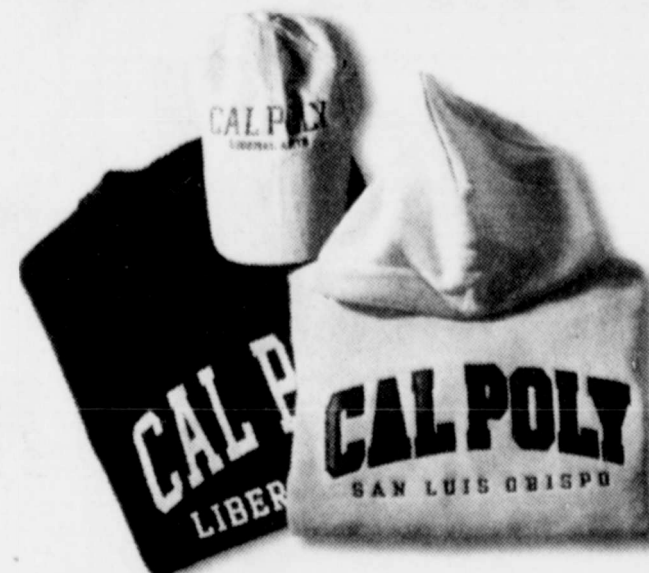
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Los dos 'Taco de Mexico'

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From the looks of it, Taco de Mexico looks like a cheap Mexican diner secluded and overshadowed by neighboring fast food giants Taco Bell and Jack in the Box.

Across Santa Rosa Street lies Taco Roco, its biggest competitor.

But when it comes down to it, Taco de Mexico's got it right where it counts: the best burrito.

Located at 374 Santa Rosa St.,

the restaurant looks a lot like a converted burger joint. On the wall next to the register are pictures of modest examples of mouth-watering entrees and combination plates.

Items on the menu include a full load of breakfast plates, enchiladas, tacos, tortas and an assortment of beverages, including ever-popular horchata.

The burritos at Taco de Mexico are some of the finest on the Central Coast. With several meat choices (beef, chicken and pork),



PHOTOGRAPHER NAME MUSTANG DAILY

Located on Santa Rosa Street, Taco de Mexico competes with neighboring Taco Bell and Taco Roco for business. Even though food is more expensive here than the one in Morro Bay, one cannot beat the location.

and cilantro, onions and sour cream optional, they taste fresh and juicy. Customers are also asked whether they'd like hot or mild sauce added to the burrito.

Sauces can usually make or break a burrito and no two restaurants' are quite the same. In Taco de Mexico, the burritos, the sauce is a perfect complement and adds a nice kick.

Not interested in burritos? Order the taco plate, which is served with a side of beans, rice and a side salad. For \$7, it's worth every penny.

Computer science junior Gabe Li, ordered a nacho plate on a recent visit and decided to make the switch.

"It's better than Taco Roco," he said. "Though they don't give you as much."

Taco de Mexico's sister store in Morro Bay, located at 980 Main St., serves similar items but there are subtle differences.

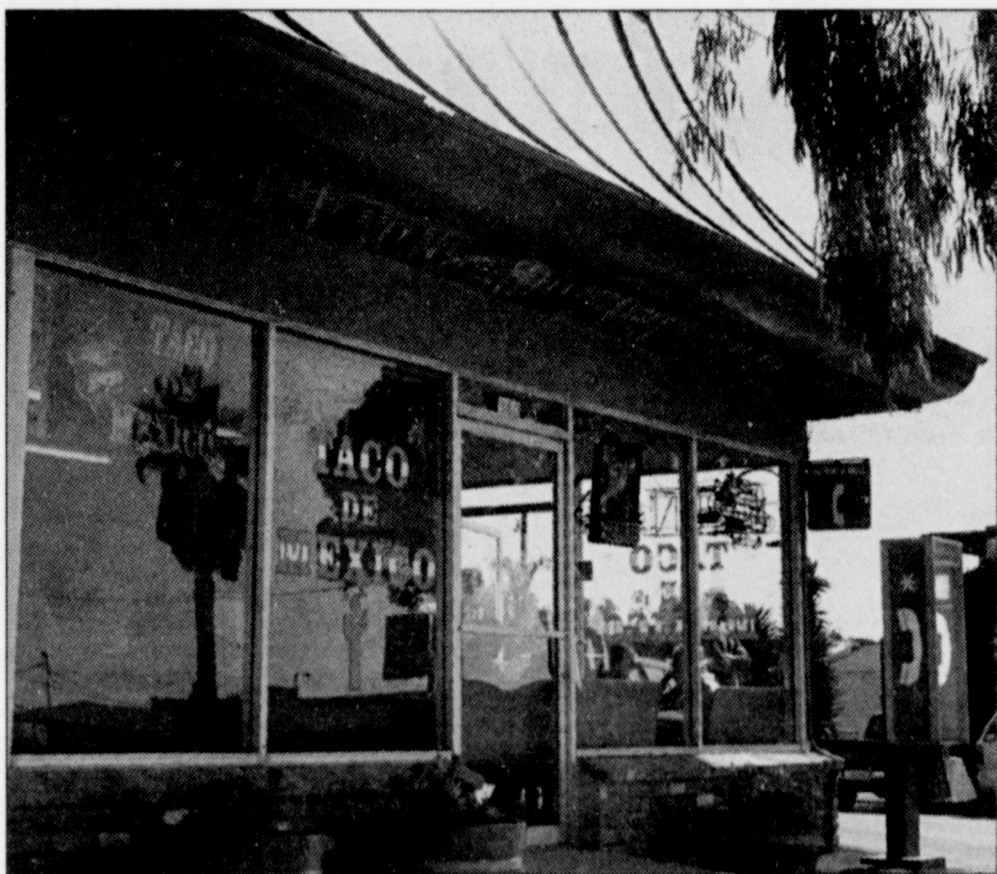
The Morro Bay location faces

the coast and offers a picture-perfect view when the sun sets. The light is a stark contrast to the San Luis Obispo location and livens up the atmosphere. Instead of inhabiting an old burger joint, the Taco de Mexico in Morro Bay calls an old Kentucky Fried Chicken building home.

The Morro Bay restaurant also charges for its refills and the taste is

slightly different, but the price makes up for everything.

A regular burrito at the Morro Bay location will cost \$3.75, tax included, but the the San Luis Obispo location charges \$4.99. The price difference won't make up for the gas that's spent driving there, but it's a nice incentive if anyone's looking for another excuse to see the ocean.



SHEILA SOBCHIK MUSTANG DAILY

Taco de Mexico, located in Morro Bay features slight differences between its sister restaurant in San Luis Obispo, including lower prices.

Download of the day

Jem
"Flying High"



This track, lifted from her debut album "Finally Woken," was also featured on "The O.C." Her beautiful, unpretentious voice is disarmingly charming. Oh, and it brought Ryan and Marisa together in season one.

Courtesy of special sections editor and "The O.C." addict Rachel Musquiz

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BOX OFFICE

Hollywood off to a strong start



COURTESY PHOTO

Horror film, 'White Noise,' starring Michael Keaton opened in the No. 2 position with \$24 million. Holiday blockbuster comedy 'Meet the Fockers' remained the country's top film for the third straight weekend.

David Germain
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — The horror of meeting the in-laws beat out the fright flick at theaters this weekend.

"Meet the Fockers" took in \$28.5 million to remain the top movie for the third straight weekend, holding off horror newcomer "White Noise," which debuted a strong No. 2 with \$24 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The two movies paced Hollywood to a healthy start for the year, with the top 12 films grossing \$98.3 million, up 8 percent from the same weekend in 2004.

That comes after a holiday surge sparked by "Meet the Fockers" lifted Hollywood to a record \$9.4 billion domestic haul in 2004. Though the year's revenues were up, higher admission prices mean movie attendance was off about 1.7 percent, so the solid beginning positions the industry for a healthier 2005.

"The end of the year was stronger than expected, so headed into the first of the year, we have some momentum going," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations. "Studios just need to keep the momentum in the marketplace, because once you lose it, it takes a long time to get back."

Since opening just before Christmas, "Meet the Fockers" has taken in \$204.3 million, topping the \$166.2 million total of its predecessor, "Meet the Parents."

The comedy sequel reunites Ben Stiller and Robert De Niro as prospective in-laws with a shaky relationship, adding Dustin Hoffman and Barbra Streisand to the cast as Stiller's zany parents.

The superstar cast and the movie's universal theme has made "Meet the Fockers" an easy sell to audiences.

"It hits home, doesn't it? Conflicts between in-laws, everybody's been

there," said Nikki Rocco, head of distribution for Universal, which released "Meet the Fockers" and "White Noise."

Critics hated "White Noise," which stars Michael Keaton as a man convinced his dead wife is trying to communicate with him through his television. Yet, scary movies tend to have a built-in audience of horror fans, who turn out in huge numbers over opening weekend.

The box office often plunges for fright flicks in their second weekend, though some manage stronger staying power, such as last year's \$100 million hit "The Grudge," which most critics also panned.

"White Noise" producer Paul Brooks said he hopes his movie can defy the critics, too, and hold up well beyond opening weekend.

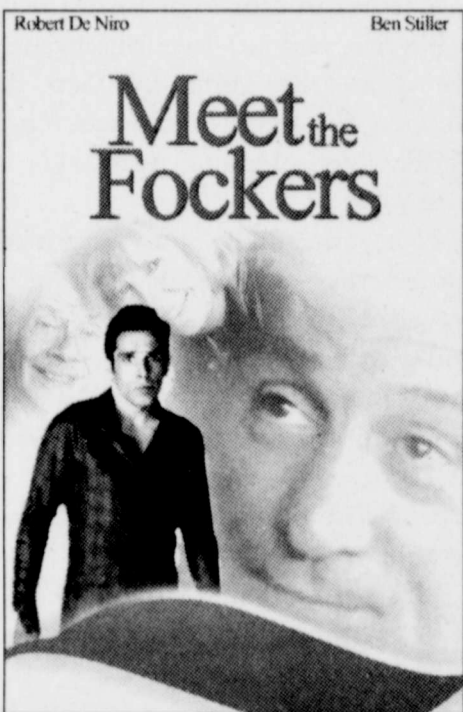
"It's always fascinated me, the way critics work," said Brooks, who also produced "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." "They have a particular view of a film which sometimes can be significantly at odds with what the man on the street and the lady on the street, and the kid on the street want to see."

Two films embraced by critics, Clint Eastwood's "Million Dollar Baby" and Terry George's "Hotel Rwanda," had strong showings as they expanded from limited release.

"Million Dollar Baby," starring Eastwood as mentor to a strong-willed boxer (Hilary Swank), took in \$2 million in 109 theaters, up from nine theaters the previous weekend.

"Hotel Rwanda," featuring Don Cheadle as a real-life hotel manager who sheltered refugees during the 1990s Rwandan genocide, grossed \$1.15 million in 105 theaters, up from seven the previous weekend.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures will be released Monday.



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TOP TEN BOX OFFICE

Top grossing films of last weekend

1. "Meet the Fockers," \$28.5 million.
2. "White Noise," \$24 million.
3. "The Aviator," \$7.6 million.
4. "Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events," \$7.4 million.
5. "Fat Albert," \$6 million.
6. "Ocean's Twelve," \$5.4 million.
7. "National Treasure," \$4.5 million.
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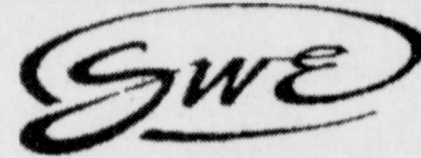
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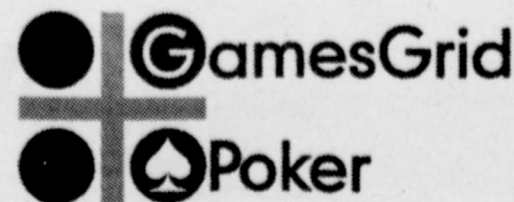
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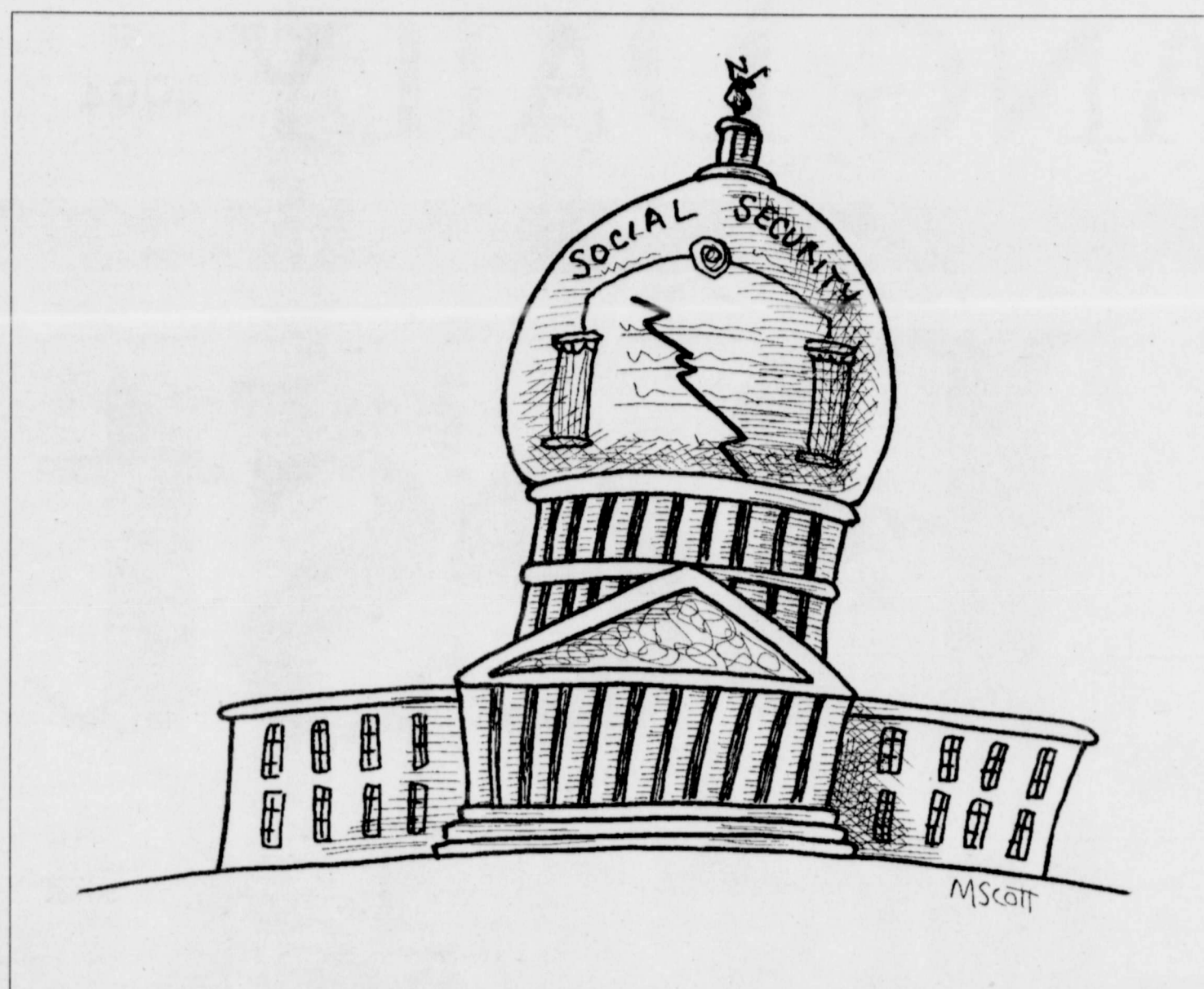
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COMMENTARY

Terminating K-12 money not an option

DAILY BRUIN

On Wednesday, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger made a strong plea to reform California's budget and politics, perhaps at the expense of the state's future.

Education spending currently accounts for the largest portion of the state budget, and measures like Proposition 98 mandate certain minimum spending levels for K-12 classrooms.

But the state's revenue stream is not large enough to cover its expenses, and faces a \$8.1 billion deficit. Schwarzenegger has vowed not to raise taxes, and states cannot legally run a deficit, so the only other way to close the gap is to cut the scope of many programs.

Cutting education would mean going back on another promise Schwarzenegger made during his campaign. He said he would find enough "waste" in the system to allow education to be spared from any significant cuts.

Already, this promise has not been kept. The University of California system, the California State system and K-12 education have all seen reductions in their budgets since Schwarzenegger came to power. Additional cuts are expected when Schwarzenegger releases his proposed budget Monday.

But education must be seen as an investment. As any economist would say, education has "positive externalities" or good impacts on everything around it. With a global market, cutting education will only ensure a weak economy for years to come.

And without strong state funding, the UC system may have to inch toward privatization if it wants to remain a world-class university. UCLA and other state universities are continuing to increase their reliance on private donations for critical parts of their budgets.

Further cuts would only increase that dependence and likely lead to ever increasing student fees.

This pathway would leave the University of California at Los Angeles looking at lot like a private school — a revenue stream from a small number of wealthy students and donors would support the majority of the school's operations.

But such a structure would betray the principles upon which the UC system was founded. Family income would become a bigger factor in the minds of potential students and big donors would have unprecedented sway over important decisions.

Californians elected Schwarzenegger because he seemed to be a hard-hitting reformer who would fix budget problems in creative ways Gray Davis would not

have tried.

But so far, Schwarzenegger has only stuck to his guns when it comes to limiting tax increases.

In the end, it is up to education officials to make their voices heard on the importance of fully funding K-12 and higher education. So far, most leaders have been content with damage control and unenforceable deals with Schwarzenegger.

This editorial board recommended one recent fee hike on the assumption that the state would uphold its end of the deal.

But it's time for education leaders to realize that Schwarzenegger cares more about avoiding tax increases and balancing the state's budget than working toward long-term educational goals.

Reforming California's educational system is an admirable goal. Unfortunately, Schwarzenegger's plans seem fueled by a vision of balanced budgets rather than achieving educational excellence.

The University of California, the California State University system and K-12 education have all seen reductions in their budgets ...

COMMENTARY

Removing God from our history

America has always struggled with the separation of church and state, but the battle took center stage this Christmas. Schools across the country canceled annual holiday plays because they included Christmas carols. Major retailers also prohibited their employees from saying "Merry Christmas," even though it is the official name of the federal holiday. When did we get so politically correct that we can't even say the name of a holiday that 96 percent of Americans celebrate?

The answer is sadder than the question. The idea of God in our culture has been under an ever-expanding attack, not a single-season jab. It continues to grow into even more ridiculous and blatant attempts to amend history.

Recently, a San Jose area history teacher was prohibited from giving students documents that referred to God, including the Declaration of Independence. Fifth grade teacher Steven Williams was told by his principal that any reference to God or Christianity is a violation of the separation of church and state. She forbade a history teacher from teaching history.

American history and God are deeply intertwined and any separation of the two is outrageous. We would have to leave out the Pilgrims, the Declaration of Independence, the Spanish Missions of the Southwest and the Mormon settlement of Utah.

Interestingly, students in the seventh grade are required to learn the pillars of Islam and the journeys of Mohammed, the Muslim prophet. Why do we force kids to learn about other religions but insist on ignoring the influence of a Christian God in American history? It's not like Williams was teaching them about the life of Jesus Christ — he was teaching the kids about the forefathers of our great country.

There is also a movement in California to take crosses off of official city seals spearheaded by the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU argues that people feel unwelcome and offended by the overtly religious government seals depicting historic landmarks of California cities. In fact, the city of San Luis Obispo is at the center of this fiery debate. The city seal depicts the downtown mission which was built in its present spot in 1793 and spawned the town around it. We would not be a city if that mission was not here, so it is proper to honor the history of San Luis Obispo. We should embrace our history, not censor it.

There is something else about the case though that is particularly ironic. The ACLU wants to remove a small cross but they will leave a banner sized name of the Catholic saint, San Luis Obispo. Yes, our city was named after a religious figure, as were 49 other cities in the state. San Francisco, San Diego, San Jose, Santa Barbara and many other California cities were named after Catholic saints by the missionaries who settled here. Should we rename each of these cities and counties to politically correct names in order to fully separate the church from the state?

No, we just need a little more common sense and a little less rogue activists. Over 20 million Californians (57 percent) would have to change their address if this anti-religious trash wins in court. Americans should reject these assaults on our culture and embrace that which makes us great: our history.

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play. He was five-of-seven from the field and made two 3-pointers.

Vladimir Lisinac also came off the bench scoring 14 points, making five-of-13 floor shots. Andrew Haskins added 13 points in the loss.

Cal Poly struggled from the field shooting 32.9 percent (23-70) and making only seven-of-23 three-pointers.

Idaho controlled the game shooting 58.3 percent from the field while making 57.9 percent of its three-pointers (11-19).

The Mustangs forced 20 Idaho

turnovers while committing only nine of their own. Haskins led the team with four steals. But the Vandals outrebounded the Mustangs 41-33.

Lisinac had a team-high seven boards with Titchenal adding five.

Idaho was led by Dandrick Jones with 25 points.



SHEILA SOBCHIK MUSTANG DAILY

Guard Jennifer Dooley flings a short shot towards the hoop in a swarm of Utah State defenders in the Mustangs loss to Utah State at Mott Gym.

Rebound

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But on the offensive side, the Aggies often recovered from the Mustangs' speed by rotating a player to the hoop to make layups anything but automatic. The Mustangs shot a paltry 32.8 percent from the field.

In the first half, the Mustangs applied a simple half-court pressure, but switched from a man-to-man defense to a zone defense in the second half. Unfortunately, the rebounding problems flared up forcing the Mustangs to move back to the first half strategy.

Back-to-back three-pointers from Mustang guard Jennifer Dooley tied the game at 53-53 with 8:21 left, but Utah State rattled off the next five points and never looked back.

"We missed some key rebounds and they were a lot bigger than us," Mustang center Katy Paterson said. "Still, it shouldn't have hurt us. We just needed to box out."

Paterson scored a team-high 18 points, and no other player finished in double figures.

The first half saw six tied scores and three lead changes.

On Thursday, the Mustangs had three players in double-digit scoring as Paterson again led the way with 14 points. The Mustangs won despite Emily Faurholt's 26 points for Idaho. The Mustangs shot 68 percent from the floor in the first half before allowing Idaho 41 points in the second half.

The Mustangs play UC Santa Barbara on Thursday and UC Davis on Saturday.

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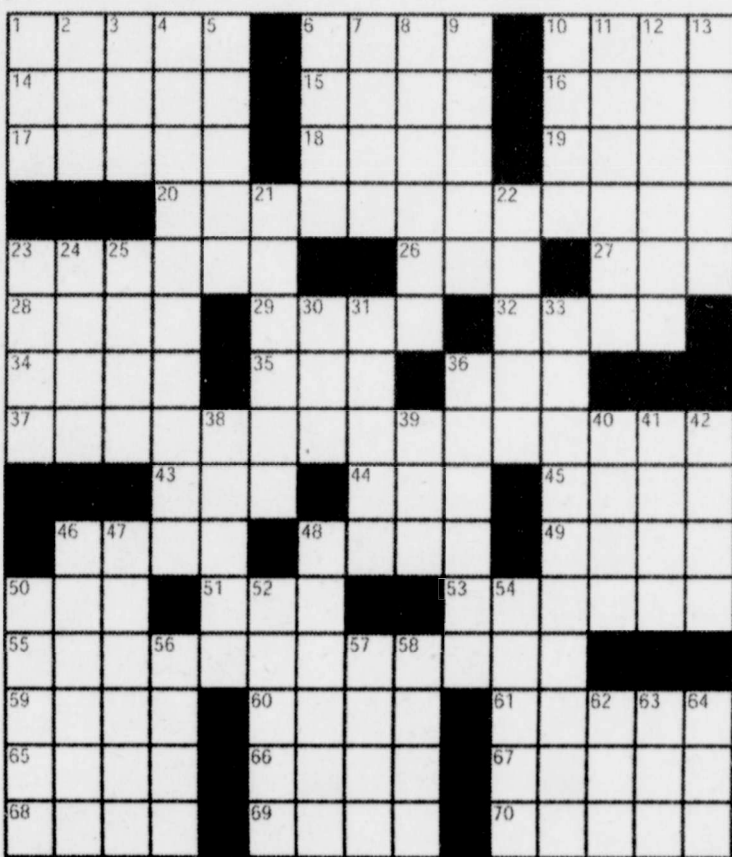
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49 The "O" in S.R.O.
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53 Tickle the fancy
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COACH'S CORNER

This week's spotlight on ...



Women's basketball coach
Faith Mimnaugh

Dan Watson
MUSTANG DAILY

Even with a lack of height, the women's basketball team has risen to the challenge.

Before Saturday, the Mustangs won 16 of their last 19 home games and this season posted their first 6-2 start to a season.

The Mustangs split a pair of conference games over the weekend and moved to 7-4 overall. The weekend showcased the trials and triumphs of basketball played with a small team. The Mustangs tallest players are junior Sarah Grieve and redshirt freshman Nicole Yarwasky, both just over 6-feet tall.

On Thursday, the Mustangs squeaked out a win against a talented Idaho team using their speed to an advantage. But on Saturday, the Mustangs struggled to rebound against a taller team.

Coach Faith Mimnaugh talked about the recent performances and an upcoming game against national powerhouse UC Santa Barbara.

Q. — Against Utah State, you had a lot of good looks at the basket and were able to penetrate to the hoop. Why weren't those conversions?

A. — We took it strong to the bucket and stuck to our game plan, but the shots just didn't fall. There was a lot of in-and-out shots and constantly a 6' 2" player in rotation to swat at the ball.

Q. — What cost you Saturday's game?

A. — A poor job of boxing out cost us the game. Idaho was a great win, our second in conference this year.

We had an outstanding offensive performance. Tonight, we knew Utah State would be tough.

Q. — You've spoken about the shape of your team and closing out games, what is your goal with conditioning?

A. — We worked really hard this week and wanted to get a little deeper with our time allotments. (Saturday), we played a half-court pressure in the first half but moved to the zone for a couple possessions, but they started to kill us on the boards.

Q. — How do you bounce back for a game against the rival Gauchos?

A. — UCSB will be a huge game. They are coming off a three-player suspension from Thursday, and they beat Utah State by 20. They'll bring some inspired play. It's been a bitter rivalry.

Boxed out of a victory



Guard Kyla Howell drives past a Utah State defender en route to the basket in the Mustangs loss.

Dan Watson
MUSTANG DAILY

Two coaches had two conflicting takes on Saturday's 71-60 Utah State win over the Cal Poly women's basketball team at Mott Gym.

Using a considerable height advantage, Utah State outrebounded the Mustangs by 20 and held on late for the upset. The Mustangs moved to 7-4 overall on the season and 2-2 in conference.

"A poor job of boxing out cost us the game," Mustang coach Faith Mimnaugh said.

The Mustangs were often undersized. Case in point, at a time in the first half Cal Poly played with Katy Paterson as the lone player above six feet, while Utah State countered with three.

But Utah State coach Raegan Pebley didn't find fault with the Mustangs.

"It wasn't that Cal Poly missed the

rebounds, they just tended to fall in our hands," she said.

Whether it was luck or a failure of fundamentals, the Mustangs struggled to grab defensive rebounds following a 72-69 win over Idaho in which they outrebounded the Vandals 33-29.

The Mustangs again played a tenacious defense forcing 25 turnovers.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Mustangs can't stop Utah State's bench mob

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Three players came off the Utah State bench to score 14 points apiece and three others scored in double figures as Utah State defeated the Cal Poly men's basketball team 76-65 on Saturday.

Nate Harris and Jaycee Carroll each scored 16 points to pace the Aggies and Harris Carroll, Cass Matheus and Chris Huber each came off the bench to add 14 points.

Cal Poly also dropped its game with Idaho on Thursday losing 84-67.

The Mustangs are now 3-9 overall and 1-4 in the Big West Conference.

Utah State

is 14-1 all-time against the Mustangs and has won seven in a row in the series.

Cal Poly was led by D a w i n Whiten, who scored a game-high 18 points.

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A g g i e s struggled in the first half shooting just 37 percent from the field, but limited Cal Poly to just 33.3 percent. Utah State took a 34-25 advantage into the half.

In the second half, Utah State hit 14 of 20 shots for 70 percent in running out to the 11-point victory. On the game Utah State shot 51.1 percent while Cal Poly made just 43.4 percent.

The Aggies scored 20 of their points at the free throw line, making 20 of 31, while Cal Poly was a perfect 10 of 10 on its limited free throw attempts.

Utah State jumped out to a quick 41-28 advantage to start the second half, but a 12-0 run by Cal Poly pulled the visitors within 41-40 at the 15:52 mark. However, Utah State used free throws and inside baskets to push the margin to 54-44 with 12:10 left. Cal Poly got no closer than seven points the rest of the way.

On Thursday, Mike Titchenal came off the bench to lead a trio of Cal Poly players in double figures.

Titchenal tied his career-high with 16 points in 24 minutes of

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BY THE NUMBERS

14-1

Utah State's all-time record against Cal Poly

7

Games in row Utah State has defeated Cal Poly

33.3%

Cal Poly's field goal percentage in the first half

70%

Utah State's field goal percentage in the second half

SWIMMING

Michelmores is the man at UC Irvine

John Michelmores finishes first in the men's 200 breaststroke and places in a number of other events

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

It was Cal Poly swimmer John Michelmores' day at the UC Irvine Spring, Distance and Relay Festival on Saturday.

Michelmores won the men's 200 breaststroke with a time of two minutes, 8.35 seconds at the UC Irvine Sprint, Distance and Relay Festival held Saturday and finished second in both the men's 100 breaststroke (57.64) and 50 breaststroke (27.50) and was sixth in the 200 individual medley (2:02.23).

In other sprint events, Cal Poly's Nate Williams placed second in

the 100 backstroke (53.51), fifth in the 100 freestyle (48.77) and seventh in both the 200 individual medley (2:02.37) and 200 backstroke (2:04.22).

Nate Hall was fourth in the 50 backstroke (27.45) and ninth in the 100 backstroke event (58.04) while Adam Westgate was sixth in the men's 200 freestyle (1:46.49).

Ross Long placed ninth in the 200 butterfly (2:04.69) while Andre Harmse was seventh in the 50 backstroke (28.48). Kenji Yoshino finished fifth in the 100 butterfly (55.04) and 50 butterfly (24.80) while Long was eighth in the same event (55.82).

Jack Guenard was sixth in the 200 breaststroke (2:21.55) and Ben Hardisty was seventh in the

same event (2:23.42).

In women's sprint events, Stacy Sorenson was fifth in the 50 freestyle (24.89).

In men's distance events, Michelmores was eighth in the 400 individual medley (4:27.90) and sixth in the 500 freestyle (4:59.03) while Williams was fifth in the 500 freestyle (4:57.34).

In the 1,650 freestyle, Hall was seventh (17:10.63) while Sean Devine placed 10th (17:25.44).

In women's distance events, Kira Linsmeier was seventh in the 1,000 freestyle (10:56.39).

Jesse Rond placed seventh in men's one-meter diving with 270.60 points.

Relay events will be held Sunday at UC Irvine.